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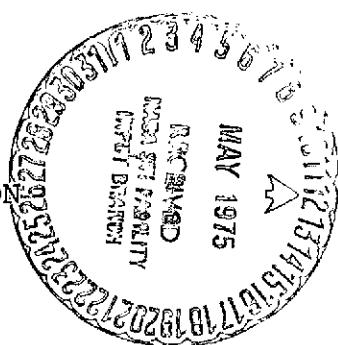
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ABBREVIATIONS AND ACRONYMS

DBMS	Data base management systems
DBTG	Data Base Task Group
DD/D	Data dictionary/directory
DDL	Data description language
FACS	Financial and Contractual Status
FD	File Definition
ID SD	Institutional Data Systems Division
IFMS	Interactive Financial Management System
IMAS-B	Institutional Management Accounting System Phase B
JSC	Lyndon B. Johnson Space Center
RTOP	Research Technology Objectives and Planning

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1.0 INTRODUCTION

1.1 Identification

Evaluation of the Data Catalogue system was performed in response to job order 85-617, covering work activities on the Data Integration Planning project. This work was performed in support of the Data Systems Development Branch (FD6) of the Institutional Data Systems Division (IDSD) at the National Aeronautics and Space Administration/Lyndon B. Johnson Space Center (NASA/JSC).

1.2 Background

Tools are needed to assist in evaluating the desirability and feasibility of integrating data files and data bases for several financial and administrative applications, such as the integration of the Basic Accounting System through the development of the Interactive Financial Management System (IFMS). Data dictionary/directory (DD/D) systems were recognized as capable of providing assistance. DD/D systems might also help minimize maintenance costs for existing applications, thus improving the effectiveness of data files maintained by the Branch in support of user organizations. The Data Catalogue system was selected by the Data Systems Development Branch for the evaluation of general data dictionary capabilities.

The Data Catalogue system is a proprietary software package marketed by the Synergetics Corporation, Burlington, Massachusetts. Originally developed for the IBM 360/370, the system has been modified to run under EXEC 8 on the

UNIVAC 1100 series. By arrangement with Synergetics, the Data Systems Development Branch was authorized to test the Data Catalogue system at JSC for a 30-day trial period. Initially scheduled to begin in August 1974, the trial period actually began January 9, 1975. However, all report generation capabilities of the system were available prior to the start of the 30-day period; these and other capabilities were made available for testing a few at a time, beginning October 31, 1974.

In summary, this project has the purpose of determining to what extent a DD/D system can assist the Data Systems Development Branch and IDSD in achieving optimum benefits from its substantial existing and planned investments in computer data files.

1.3 Evaluation Approach

Of the commercially available data dictionary systems, only the Data Catalogue system is currently operational on the UNIVAC 1100, EXEC 8 system (ref. 1). Therefore, the Data Catalogue system must be evaluated in terms of whether it can satisfy specific needs, rather than in comparison to the performance of competitive products. This document establishes several potential DD/D system applications in support of the Data Systems Development Branch and discusses the performance of the Data Catalogue system in satisfying the specific needs of the Branch.

Input data for the evaluation is based on COBOL source code for the Financial and Contractual Status (FACS) system. FACS was selected for this purpose because its data is

representative of the data used in financial and administrative applications, it is well-documented, and the capability to describe the data to a DD/D system was still available to the Data Systems Development Branch.

Data for IFMS was also converted to Data Catalogue format and is included in the reports which have been produced. This data, however, represents only the contents of various IFMS transactions and reports, neither of which can be identified as such to the Data Catalogue system. To avoid confusion, this evaluation does not reference the IFMS data because it is less useful than the FACS data.

2.0 POTENTIAL USES OF A DATA DICTIONARY SYSTEM

The potential uses of a DD/D system have been documented in several technical papers and reports (see refs 2, 3, and 4). The distinction between dictionary functions and directory functions is described by Uhrowczik (ref 2) in terms of "management use mode" and "computer use mode," and in the November 1974 EDP Analyzer (ref 4) in terms of "source definitions" and "object definitions." Briefly, dictionary functions involve the storage, processing, and reporting of information about data to users of that information; directory functions involve the availability of information about data at the time of loading and executing programs which use the data.

Throughout the remainder of this document, the Data Catalogue system will be referred to as having only data dictionary capabilities. The system does not perform any of the functions required of a data directory, which are discussed in greater detail in section 5.2. Data dictionary uses are categorized in this evaluation according to (1) the assistance they provide to the data control function of installation management and to the program development function and (2) the capabilities needed to provide that assistance.

2.1 Data Control Assistance

To provide useful results to users, installation management must exercise some degree of control, either centralized or decentralized, over its data resources. Increased emphasis on integrated data bases, which are

available to several applications, increases the degree of control needed for data resources. Accurate, current information about data base contents and structure should be readily available to management. Additional information would be needed to analyze the effect of restructuring or modifying a data base. Information required to support these functions includes the following:

- Data description for analysis and standards control.
 - Descriptive text for each element or collection of elements
 - Source responsibility, defining the organization responsible for data and how the data originates
 - Format
 - Statistical data, such as volume and frequency, which would be useful for redundancy analysis or for performance analysis
 - Cross reference data, such as
 - (a) Data items used by a specific program
 - (b) Programs in which a data item is used
 - (c) Data names assigned in a specific program
 - (d) Programs in which a data name is used
- Security level reports by file, record, and element.
- Data structure.
 - Logical - relationships among data elements (dependency or derivability) and among records (parent-child or owner-member)
 - Physical - storage structure for data elements, groups, records, and files

2.2 Program Development Assistance

Use of a DD/D in support of the programming function may be of many different types. Only those of an informational nature or requiring only limited computational support are discussed in this document. Uses requiring directory capabilities are not discussed (see section 5.2). Information required to support applications programming functions include the following:

- Data description.
 - Descriptive text for data elements, group items, records, and files
 - Data formats
 - Definition of the contents of records, files, reports, and transactions
 - Edits required for specific elements
 - Conversion and compaction techniques
 - Data names
- Source code generation.
- Test data assistance.
 - Value ranges and dependencies
 - Data generation

3.0 EVALUATION OF THE DATA CATALOGUE SYSTEM

Data Catalogue system capabilities will only partially support the needs discussed in the preceding sections. A summary of the degree of support provided is shown in table I. Areas of potential use are discussed in the succeeding paragraphs.

3.1 Data Description

Overall, data description capabilities of the Data Catalogue system are very good and reasonably easy to use, assuming that the source data is available. Some exceptions to this statement are noted later in this section.

Descriptive data maintained by the system provides support best for functions related to documentation and to standards control. The examples shown in the appendix illustrate the descriptive data in the Catalogue report, the Index reports, and the Cross-Reference reports. Data in the Catalogue report, for example, will provide a significant portion of the basic data included in the definition of application system requirements. Much of the data in the FACS System Requirements document (ref 5) is now in Data Catalogue files.

Central control is not now exercised over the assignment of data names in applications programs implemented for the Data Systems Development Branch. As a result, a multiplicity of names are generally assigned to each element within each system. (Fourteen data names in FACS are used to refer to the element Fund Source.)

TABLE I.- SUMMARY OF DATA CATALOGUE CAPABILITIES

<u>Item</u>	<u>Degree of support</u>
Data description	
Text	Good
Cycle, frequency	Fair
Volume data (records)	None
Format	Good
Source	Good
Data structure-logical	
Owner-member relationships	None
Element-dependency, derivability	None
Data structure - physical	
Elementary, group items	Good
Records	Good
Files, data bases	Good
Reports	Fair
Transactions	Fair
System	None
Security level	
Elementary items	Fair
Records, files	None
Reports	None
Programming (assistance) aids	
Source code generation - COBOL	Good
Edit description	None
Test data assistance	
Value ranges	Good
Dependencies	Fair
Generation	None

Standards in this area could provide better management of the naming function; fewer names, carefully chosen, could simplify program maintenance tasks and possibly reduce computer resources required for compilation. Up to 90 data names may be assigned to each item in the Data Catalogue.

Data description needed for performance analysis or redundancy analysis, such as volume of records of a given definition in a data base, is not specifically provided by the Data Catalogue system. Cycle and frequency data are included only for elementary and group items and are confusing to use.

The appendix includes several examples of the various reports. Sections A.1, A.2, and A.3 describe the Catalogue report for elementary items, group items, and records, respectively. Section A.4 shows some of the indexes produced by the system, and section A.5 provides an example of a Cross-Reference report; these reports are used to index and cross-reference data in the Catalogue report. The capability of being more selective in generating these reports would be a valuable feature.

Most of the descriptive data may be omitted at the option of the installation, through appropriate designation of "Installation Standards." The intended use of the Installation Standards capability, namely, to detect and report omission of data designated as mandatory or semi-mandatory, could help assure that data entries for the dictionary are complete.

Data description capabilities are probably the strongest feature of the system. Nevertheless, the quality of the descriptive reports should be improved. In the Catalogue report, for example, abbreviations should be avoided wherever practical, codes should be interpreted, and spacing should be handled more carefully. Consideration should be given to listing, at most, one data item (elementary, group, or record) on a page, with the added capability of listing only a single or a few catalogue entries following an update.

Problems with other reports indicate that the system may not yet be fully debugged. For example, entries in some of the index reports (Index by Program, Index by Source Department) are not sorted alphabetically. In the Structure report listing for an elementary item, the first two lines are truncated erroneously.

3.2 Data Structure - Logical

Logical data structures considered here are the parent-child or owner-member relationships among the records in a data base, and data element dependencies and derivability. No real support is provided in either of these categories by the Data Catalogue system. Logical data structure relationships are not identified in the system; logical record structures are supported only to the extent that they are the same as physical record structures.

The 1971 CODASYL Data Base Task Group (DBTG) report (ref 6) defines data base tree structures and networks using the parent-child relationship among sets of data or records.

The capability to describe these relationships would be a valuable data dictionary feature. The description of these relationships would require designating all parent-child relationships involving each type of record by providing additional information to the data dictionary, either as part of the definition of that record or as still another type of input data. Reporting capabilities of the data dictionary should include the capability of tracing these relationships for a specified system, program, or transaction.

The capability to identify, define, and retrieve data dependencies or derivability could also be a valuable data dictionary feature.

3.3 Data Structure - Physical

Physical data structures involving data elements, groups of elements, records, and files are well supported by the Data Catalogue system. Definitions of these relationships are easy to prepare as input and are well described in the various reports available from the system.

Figure A-3 shows the structure of a group item. Figure A-4 illustrates how the structure of a record is indicated through use of indentation; each successively lower level of the physical structure, to a maximum of five levels below the record, can be shown through indentation. The Cross-Reference reports (see fig. A-9 for an elementary item example) also document the physical structure; each successively higher level of the physical structure is listed for each entry.

Explicit definitions of transactions (both input and output) and reports are not supported in any of the intended uses. Usage data for an elementary item can specify implicitly that a data name is used in processing a transaction or producing a report, but this information is not reported in an index. These relationships should be defined explicitly in any data dictionary system. Another important relationship, that of an application system to its component programs, processes, and data collections; is omitted completely. No references to such a system are included in the data.

A list of data elements used in a specific program is given in the Index by Program (see fig. A-6) report. However, this data is defined implicitly for each data element rather than explicitly by program.

3.4 Security Level

Security levels may be specified only for data elements (elementary and group items). Security information for records, files, reports, or transactions is not provided. The only use made of the security code is its inclusion in the Catalogue and Structure reports as an encoded item. No report has been produced focusing on or highlighting a security level or access to data.

No provision is made by the Data Catalogue system for the security of its own files. The only capabilities available to the user in restricting access to system files are provided by the operating system.

3.5 Programming Aids

Some direct programming assistance, in the form of generation of COBOL source language statements, is available from the Data Catalogue system. Testing of this feature was omitted, as instructed by the Branch, because of the late delivery of that system capability.

Another capability is the generation of transactions for the Data Catalogue system from COBOL source code. It is expected that this feature would be a useful tool in collecting data elements from existing applications, correlating those elements with existing catalogue entries, and entering the corresponding names into the catalogue. Thus, the system could assist in the maintenance of existing programs through improved documentation.

Another capability which could potentially assist in the maintenance function is the Program Revision report. This report identifies programs which must be modified as the result of a change in the data format or physical structure, assuming that the usage data in the catalogue is complete and accurate. However, Program Revision report data is excessively repetitious; an example is shown in the appendix, section A.6.

Edit data is not included in the system in the form of either descriptive material or generation of edit modules.

3.6 Test Data

Optional free-form input may be provided to the system describing the value of a data item (see the appendix, section A.1). This input could be used to specify the range of values for the particular data item. Another possible use of this input might be to specify data dependency or derivability, but no structured means of specifying such data is provided. For example, in a payroll application, gross salary might be a function of hours worked and rate of pay. To a limited extent, such dependencies could be described to the system and could be useful information for redundancy analysis. Since any such information would be unstructured and not recognized by the Data Catalogue system, its usefulness would be limited.

This system has no test data generation capabilities.

4.0 RECOMMENDATIONS

Based upon experience with the Data Catalogue system, the following recommendations are submitted for consideration.

4.1 Data Dictionary

Data dictionary capabilities could be used profitably by the Data Systems Development Branch and should be implemented to fulfill Branch requirements for improved visibility and control over data resources. Reasons for this recommendation include the improved visibility and control over data resources which would be provided and the assistance which could be provided to the function of requirements definition, program development, and maintenance.

It is recommended that the initial use of the data dictionary be in support of (1) data gathering for documentation, (2) assistance for program development and maintenance, and (3) standards implementation. Future capabilities should be provided to support functions such as performance and redundancy analysis, representation of additional data relationships, and more advanced programming aids. The provision for directory-type capabilities (see section 5.2) should be considered a function of the systems organization.

It is further recommended that only one data dictionary be implemented and used within the Data Systems Development Branch. There are several reasons for this recommendation

in view of the different efforts in progress at present. First, many of the data elements for most financial and administrative application software systems are the same; describing the same data elements to more than one data dictionary would be redundant. Next, maintenance of each such data dictionary system would require effort. Finally, maintenance of the same data for different data dictionary systems would invite inconsistency, one of the problems the data dictionary is intended to resolve.

Both short-range (see section 4.2) and long-range (see section 4.3) capabilities are suggested, consistent with recommendations in MITRE WP-5183 (ref 7).

4.2 Short-Range Implementation

The Data Catalogue system implementation of a data dictionary is recommended for short-range use. Modification of the system could remedy some of its shortcomings and could probably be performed at a lower cost than the development of a new system. The Data Catalogue system is written in ANSI COBOL. Reasons for this recommendation include the following:

- The Data Catalogue system is installed and working under UNIVAC 1108, EXEC 8. It is capable of providing significant assistance in requirements definition and system maintenance, particularly with current COBOL systems.
- FACS data, which is representative of much of the financial and administrative data maintained by the

Branch, is already established in Data Catalogue files. The FACS data probably represents some 20 to 25 percent of the basic descriptive data of this type (70 percent of Basic Accounting data, 15 percent of PMATS and Logistics data).

- The Data Catalogue system organization is appropriately based on data elements, group items, records, and files, consistent with the approach discussed by Uhrowczik (ref 2, pp. 340-341). Although the system makes no provision for explicit definitions of reports, transactions, and systems (a serious fault), these could probably be added for less cost than an entirely new system.

However, it should be noted that, while the system currently provides facilities for assistance in defining requirements and in other functions, no real assistance is provided for the analysis of performance or redundancy for evaluating proposed data base designs.

4.3 Long-Range Implementation

Comprehensive requirements should be defined for long-range implementation of a data dictionary system. Directory capabilities can be reconsidered at the time the requirements are defined.

As with most computer software applications, the cost of the initial development will be only a fraction of the eventual cost which must include maintenance of the data dictionary system and establishment and maintenance of its

data base. Therefore, care must be exercised in the definition of requirements. A basic consideration must be whether the data dictionary system will be used primarily to assist in the design of integrated data bases or whether equal importance will be placed on other considerations, such as data control, standards, maintenance functions, and programming assistance. It is suggested that all the capabilities discussed in this evaluation would be legitimate requirements and should be defined in more detail.

4.4 Program Network Description

Another capability which would be useful, both in redundancy analysis and in determining the possible effects of program, file, or data base modifications, would be that of recording and tracing data flow in a network of related computer programs. Relationships of interest are those data collections which constitute interfaces among the programs. Inclusion of data dictionary information describing data interfaces among programs would be a logical development.

The Data Catalogue system produces an Index by Program report listing all data items (elementary items only) used or produced by a program. Because data for this report is taken from usage data (lines 1002-1099) for the elementary items, it is liable to be incomplete or inaccurate. Better organized input facilities defining specific input and output files for each program are needed in order for this data to be a useful part of a data dictionary.

5.0 MISCELLANEOUS REMARKS

Several comments about data dictionaries generally and the Data Catalogue system specifically are in order. Some of these are merely reiterations of previous comments, whereas others did not seem to "belong" to any other section of the evaluation.

5.1 Data Description Languages

Data Description Languages (DDL's) are growing in importance and are directly related to the subject of data dictionaries. In order to focus on the evaluation of the Data Catalogue system, however, virtually no mention was made of data description languages as such. Several examples of DDL's are contained in the following paragraphs.

Probably the most common DDL is that used in the data division of a COBOL program to describe elementary items, group items, records, and files. The same DDL terminology used in any COBOL manual is used in defining data for the Data Catalogue system.

The CODASYL Data Base Task Group report of April 1971 (see ref 6) proposed a data description language for the description of a data base. The proposed DDL is largely an extension of the COBOL language and has been implemented in DMS1100 for the UNIVAC 1100 series and in other data base management systems (DBMS) for other computers. The DBTG data description language includes facilities for defining data relationships such as those mentioned in section 3.1.

A technical paper (ref 8) written by Senko, Altman, Astrahan, and Fehder proposes another approach to a DDL. This data description language was chosen by personnel of the Martin-Marietta Corporation for use in their Research Technology Objectives and Planning (RTOP) project in support of IDSD. Still other approaches to data description have been proposed by Codd (ref 9) and Sibley and Taylor (ref 10).

The connection between a data dictionary and a DDL lies in the description of data relationships for users of the dictionary and in the possible generation of source code by the data dictionary for inclusion in application systems. For example, the Data Catalogue system was designed primarily for description of data used by COBOL programs. Relationships which are easily defined in COBOL (the physical data structures) are meaningful to the Data Catalogue system; COBOL source code defining the physical structure can be generated by the system. Relationships not defined in the standard COBOL (i.e., logical data structures) were excluded in the design of the Data Catalogue system; therefore, DBTG-type statements defining the logical data structure sets cannot be generated by the system. Generation of DBTG-type statements would be an important capability if DMS-1100 (or any other system based on DBTG-recommended language) were used extensively in the installation.

5.2 Directory Capabilities

The directory capabilities of a DD/D system were mentioned briefly in section 2.0. Uhrowczik's paper, "Data

Dictionary/Directories," (ref 2) gives an excellent summary of directory functions, which he refers to as the "computer use mode." These include important capabilities such as use of the DD/D system at program execution time (1) to perform the actual mapping between logical and physical data structures, (2) to centralize the actual data editing function, or (3) to centralize actual data conversion and compaction functions. Capabilities such as these require that a common DD/D system be used by the installation operating system and by each DBMS used in the installation. It is expected that the next generation of computer hardware and software may well provide such a common DD/D system. However, the prospect of introducing such a concept into a production environment such as the IDSD facility was beyond the scope of this job order.

Another approach has apparently been implemented at the Shell Information Center in Houston, as described in a paper given at the recent UH/HIS Data Base Conference (ref 11). The technique described involves use of a DD/D system in an "envelope preprocessor" cycle to generate an object module. This object module then serves as interface between the applications program and the data base management system. While this approach seems awkward and apparently provides only a few of the dictionary functions defined by Uhrowczik (ref 2), it does have some advantages. For example, it facilitates interfacing more than one DBMS with the DD/D without modifying the DBMS, and it permits use of standard data element names independent of the program data names.

5.3 Data Explosion

As stated previously, data from FACS was used to evaluate the Data Catalogue system. Of the FACS data, approximately 91 elementary items, 21 group items, 4 record formats, and 2 files were selected as input. These data items generated over 2,000 input data cards for the Data Catalogue system. Because this "data explosion" has been a source of some concern, several comments are appropriate.

Most of the data explosion is inherent in any data dictionary. In some respects, the value of a data dictionary is directly proportional to the amount of accurate, meaningful, useful data recorded about each data item; the same is true of a word dictionary for a specific natural language. In this sense, the data explosion is desirable. However, both maintenance cost and data dictionary usefulness dictate that careful consideration be given to what types of data should be kept in the data dictionary. Certain items of data are more useful to standards control, others to improved documentation or maintenance of existing programs, and still others to redundancy analyses or system design. If all these needs are to be served, the amount of data required by the dictionary will certainly be greater than for any single need. The Data Catalogue system does facilitate control over what data will be maintained.

Moreover, several techniques can be used to control the data explosion to some degree. For the Data Catalogue system, proper organization of the data can eliminate some redundancy; many entries could be eliminated by restricting

the recording of data names to those required for file definition (FD) in COBOL entries, thus, not permitting entries for working storage data, or modifications to the system could permit more data per input data card. Some of these items should be dicussed in the user manual for the system.

5.4 Maintenance

As stated in section 4.3, establishment of the initial data base is probably the greatest single item of cost. Once the initial data base is established, however, it must be maintained carefully in order for the data dictionary to be useful. Procedures are needed for updating the data dictionary automatically as part of the validation and review cycle each time an application system is modified. Maintenance of the data base should not be expensive, but it would require care.

5.5 Fault Correction

If the Data Systems Development Branch decides to purchase the Data Catalogue system, contractual provision should be included for correcting known errors and faults. Fault corrections should include the following:

- * Elimination or replacement of all symbols in the input and output data which are meaningful only in an IBM 360/370 environment.

- Elimination of the repetition of data items in the Cross-Reference reports, and of groups of lines in the Program Revision report.
- Elimination of erroneously truncated header lines in the Structure report for elementary items.
- Sorting of input transactions by the system prior to an initial run or update (as provided for the IBM 360/370 version).

Attempts should also be made to negotiate other improvements, such as

- Provision for the capability of beginning the listing for each data item (elementary item, group item, record, or file) on a new page.
- Provision for printing only those data items affected by a change, rather than the entire Catalogue report.
- Capability for producing a single report of a given type, rather than the requirement that all reports in that type be produced (i.e., it should be possible to print a new index by catalogue name without also printing new indexes of each of the other types).
- Provision for the Catalogue report format which would be more useful at this installation if the elementary item usage data were organized

differently. Also, system and program identification provisions are inadequate. The following general approach is suggested for organizing and formatting Catalogue report usage data output:

System	Program	Data_name	Format	Use	organization
FACS	P3860	FS-1	X(1)	CREATE	FMD
		WS-1	X(1)	CREATE	FMD
	P3870	FS-3	X(1)	READ	FMD
P497	--	--	--	--	--

This data would replace lines XX00, XX01, and XX02 in the Catalog report (see appendix, section A.1) for each elementary item.

- Encoded data (specifically for the Data Catalogue) should be interpreted in the output reports rather than appear as encoded data.

5.6 Data Dictionary Names

Care should be exercised in the assignment of names in a data dictionary. In order for naming conventions to be as meaningful as possible to users of the dictionary, responsibility for this function should be centralized as a data base administrator function. Otherwise, data dictionary names will be assigned one application system at a time. As a result, those systems described to the dictionary first would probably establish name standards by default.

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APPENDIX

REPORT EXAMPLES

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Several examples of reports produced by the Data Catalogue system are included for illustrative purposes in this appendix. Data in these reports is primarily from FACS; however, some references are made to elementary items and transactions (shown as "records") from IFMS.

A.1 Elementary Items

Two examples of elementary items are presented - FUND SOURCE (fig. A-1) and PRIMARY WORK CODE (fig. A-2). Both are included in the Catalogue report, with some variations in their contents. Line numbers are listed in the far right column.

Item descriptions may be recorded on lines 0001-0099 (actually shown on lines 0001-0004 for fund source, 0001-0005 for primary work code). Keywords (up to 10 per item) begin on line 0001. Remaining lines are in free-form with contents at installation discretion.

Source data (lines 0100-0199) needs careful preparation. It should involve study of the origin and responsibility for each particular data item. Lines 0101-0199 are recorded in free form.

Value description is unstructured, free-form data recorded in lines 0200-0299. Installation standards could be imposed to structure the value data for optimum usefulness. These standards could consist of fixed codes

and descriptive text. The fund source entry (fig. A-1) provides one example of possible use.

Lines 0300-0999 are currently not used by the Data Catalogue system, and could be used at the discretion of the installation, particularly if modification of the system were undertaken. Some possible uses of these lines would be for the designation of those systems (such as FACS, Institutional Management Accounting System Phase B (IMAS-B), or PR-497) in which the element is used, designation of dependency on other elements, or designation of specific derivability algorithms.

Usage data is recorded on several successive groups of lines, ranging from 1000 to 9999. Up to 90 groups of usage data may be recorded (lines 1000-1099, 1100-1199,---9900-9999). Generally, 1 to 3 lines will be needed within a group, which is associated with a specific data name. The first specifies the data names (the "BAL Symbol" and "DBD Name" fields are IBM 360/370 terms without meaning for this evaluation); the second specifies element format; and the third (and succeeding lines, if necessary) specify programs, reports, and other "element usages." Since only 1 to 3 lines are generally needed for a particular data name, the 100 lines available are wasteful; standards for data names could change this condition; otherwise, the system should be modified to increase the number of permissible names by a factor of at least 10.

DATA CATALOGUE CATALOGUE REPORT		REPORT DATE- 02/27/75
SECTION 1. ELEMENTARY ITEMS		REVISION NUMBER- 11
		DATE OF LAST REVISION- 02/15/75
CATALOGUE NAME	REV.	LINE NUMBER
*** FUND-SOURCE	***	
	---	---DESCRIPTION---
1	KH=FS	0001
1	CODE THAT IDENTIFIES FINANCING APPROPRIATION IN TERMS	0002
1	OF CURRENT ADMINISTRATIVE CLASSIFICATION USED BY NASA	0003
1	HEADQUARTERS TO MANAGE FUNDS.	0004
	---	---SOURCE RESPONSIBILITY---
9	DEPT=JSC-FIN-MGMT-DIV	0100
	PROG/APPLICATION/SYSTEM=BASIC ACCOUNTING	0100
9	FORM NO.=	0100
	CREATION CYCLE=MTHLY STATUS=E LIFE EXPECTANCY=01	0100
9	VALID FUND SOURCES ARE PROVIDED VIA A TABLE WITHIN	0101
9	THE JSC BASIC ACCOUNTING SYSTEM (PROJECT 2520).	0102
	---	---VALUE DESCRIPTION---
9	CODE	0200
9	1-3 RESEARCH AND PROGRAM MANAGEMENT	0201
9	1 PERSONNEL SERVICES	0202
9	2 TRAVEL	0203
9	3 OPERATION OF INSTALLATION	0204
9	4 RESEARCH AND DEVELOPMENT PROGRAM	0205
9	5-8 CONSTRUCTION OF FACILITIES	0206
9	5 CONSTRUCTION OF FACILITIES EXCEPT FOR	0207
9	FACILITY PLANNING AND VARIOUS LOCATIONS	0208
9	6 FINAL DESIGN	0209
9	7 VARIOUS LOCATIONS	0210
9	8 PRELIMINARY DESIGN	0211
9	T TRUST FUND	0212
9	0 UNFUNDED TRANSACTIONS	0213
	---	---IMPLEMENTATION STANDARDS---
1	DATA NAME=M-FS	BAL SYM= DBD= 1000
1	LENGTH= 1 LANG=COBOL FORMAT=DISPLAY JUST/SYNC=J DYNAMIC=C 1001	
	COBOL PICTURE=X	VALUE=
	CODE NAME	OPTIONS CYCLE FREQ. SECURITY
9	P P3860	U M 0001
1	DATA NAME=T-FS	BAL SYM= DBD= 1100
1	DATA NAME=WS-FS	BAL SYM= DBD= 1200
1	DATA NAME=P-M-FS	BAL SYM= DBD= 1300
1	DATA NAME=P-T-FS	BAL SYM= DBD= 1400
1	DATA NAME=F-FS	BAL SYM= DBD= 1500
1	LENGTH= 1 LANG=COBOL FORMAT=DISPLAY JUST/SYNC=J DYNAMIC=C 1501	
	COBOL PICTURE=X	VALUE=
9	P P3850	R M 0001
1	DATA NAME=S-FS	BAL SYM= DBD= 1600
1	DATA NAME=ST-FS	BAL SYM= DBD= 1700
1	DATA NAME=F-C-FS	BAL SYM= DBD= 1800
1	DATA NAME=M-FS	BAL SYM= DBD= 3000
1	LENGTH= 1 LANG=COBOL FORMAT=DISPLAY JUST/SYNC=J DYNAMIC=C 3001	
	COBOL PICTURE=X	VALUE=

Figure A-1. - Example of Catalogue Report, Fund Source Elementary Item.

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Figure A-2. - Example of Catalogue Report, Primary Work Code Elementary Item.

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A.2 Group Items

The entry for MASTER SEQUENCE is presented to illustrate the Catalogue report for group items (fig. A-3). The format is the same as for elementary items for descriptive text (lines 0001-0099). Lines 0100-0999 are not used by the system, with the same options available for installation use as lines 0300-0999 of the elementary item entries (see section A.1).

Lines X000 are used to specify data names for the group items (up to 9 names). Corresponding to the data name specified in line N000, lines N001-N999 may be used to specify the structure for that group item together with indexing data. Each element of a group item may also be referenced to a specific data name entry in the corresponding elementary item through designation of the line number for that data name.

Subgroups may be specified by treating each subgroup as an elementary item. Fillers, as defined for COBOL programs, may also be specified. The Catalogue report will show each level of subgroup as indented from the previous level, the indentation being repeated until the lowest, or elementary item, level is reached.

DATA CATALOGUE CATALOGUE REPORT				REPORT DATE- 02/27/75
				REVISION NUMBER- 11
				DATE OF LAST REVISION- 02/15/75
				TYPE OF UPDATE- PERMANENT
CATALOGUE NAME	REV.			LINE DEFINED NUMBER ON PAGE
*** MASTER-SEQUENCE	***			
		---DESCRIPTION---		
1	KN=	SORT-SEQ		0001
1		SORT SEQUENCE OF FACS MASTER,FILE		0002
1		CONT-MOD,RECORD TYPE, PWC,MA,PY,FS,OBJECT CLASS,		0003
1		WORK-STATUS CODE AND FILE SOURCE CODE		0004
		---IMPLEMENTATION STANDARDS---		
1	DATA NAME=M-SURT-SEQ		SYMBOL=	1000
	SECURITY=	FREQUENCY OF ACCESS=		1000
		---GROUP ITEM STRUCTURE---		
	FROM TO	ITEM CATALOGUE NAME	LINE LENGTH RD INDEX DEPEND	
1	001	CONTRACT-MOD	1000	1001 68
1	001	JSC-CONTRACT-NO	1000	33
1	001	JSC-CONTRACT-NO-MOD	1000	34
1	001	MASTER-RECORD-TYPE	1000	1002 36
1	001	PRIMARY-WORK-CODE	1000	1003 48
1	001	WORK-STATUS-CODE	1000	1006 66
1	001	FILE-SOURCE-CODE	1000	1007 29
		---IMPLEMENTATION STANDARDS---		
1	DATA NAME=T-SURT-SEQ		SYMBOL=	2000
	SECURITY=	FREQUENCY OF ACCESS=		2000
		---GROUP ITEM STRUCTURE---		
	FROM TO	ITEM CATALOGUE NAME	LINE LENGTH RD INDEX DEPEND	
1	001	CONTRACT-MOD	2000	2001 68
1	001	JSC-CONTRACT-NO	1100	33
1	001	JSC-CONTRACT-NO-MOD	1100	34
1	001	MASTER-RECORD-TYPE	1100	2002 36
1	001	PRIMARY-WORK-CODE	1000	2003 48
1	001	WORK-STATUS-CODE	1100	2006 66
1	001	FILE-SOURCE-CODE	1100	2007 29
		---IMPLEMENTATION STANDARDS---		
1	DATA NAME=PUR-SURT-SEQ		SYMBOL=	3000
	SECURITY=	FREQUENCY OF ACCESS=		3000
		---GROUP ITEM STRUCTURE---		
	FROM TO	ITEM CATALOGUE NAME	LINE LENGTH RD INDEX DEPEND	
1	001	CONTRACT-MOD	3000	3001 68
1	001	JSC-CONTRACT-NO	1200	33
1	001	JSC-CONTRACT-NO-MOD	1600	34
1	001	MASTER-RECORD-TYPE	1200	3002 36
1	001	FILLER	0020	3003

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Figure A-3. - Example of Catalogue Report, Group Items.

A.3 Records

The FACS TRANSACTION RECORD (fig. A-4) is presented as an example of a Data Catalogue entry for a record. Again, lines 0001-0099 are used to specify descriptive data. Lines 0100-0999 are not used by the data and would be available if the Data Catalogue system were modified to accommodate the definition of relationships among records.

For each data name assigned to a record, the user may specify the usage (using program, language, and use function) associated with that data name and the corresponding record structure; the example used here shows varied structure representations corresponding to the data names TRANS, TRANS-10-30-35, TRANS-TR, and WORK-RECORD.

A.4 Index Reports

Several index reports are produced by the Data Catalogue system. Those selected for examples (figures A-5 through A-8) include a single page from the Index by Catalogue Name, the Index by Program, the Index by Data Name, and the Index by Departmental Use.

Given the Catalogue Name, any elementary or group item, record, or file entry in the Catalogue report can be located in the Index by Catalogue Name (figure A-5). Entries are sorted alphabetically. Three columns of data are listed: the Catalogue Name, type of entry, and page location in the Catalogue report.

For any program recorded as part of the usage data for an elementary item or record, a listing of those entries and

DATA CATALOGUE CATALOGUE REPORT				REPORT DATE- 02/27/75
SECTION 3. SEGMENT ITEMS				REVISION NUMBER- 11
				DATE OF LAST REVISION- 02/15/75
				TYPE OF UPDATE- PERMANENT
CATALOGUE NAME		REV.		LINE DEFINED NUMBER ON PAGE
*** TRANSACTION-RECORD ***		---DESCRIPTION---		
1	KW=TRANS UPDATES THE FACS MASTER-FILE			0001 0002
---IMPLEMENTATION STANDARDS---				
9	DATA NAME=TRANS IMS SEGMENT NAME=*****			SYMBOL=***** 1000 1000
---USAGE LIST---				
9	CODE P P3860	NAME COBOL	LANG G	CODE P P3880 NAME COBOL LANG G OPTIONS 1001
---SEGMENT STRUCTURE---				
1	FROM TO 001	ITEM CATALOGUE NAME MASTER-SEQUENCE	LINE 2000	RD INDEX 1100 KEY 82
1	001	CONTRACTOR-MOD	2000	58
1	001	JSC-CONTRACT-NO	1100	33
1	001	JSC-CONTRACT-NO-MOD	1100	34
1	001	MASTER-RECORD-TYPE	1100	36
1	001	PRIMARY-WORK-CODE	1000	58
1	001	WORK-STATUS-CODE	1100	66
1	001	FILE-SOURCE-CODE	1100	29
1	001	MASTER-COLUMN-37-138	2000	1101 79
1	001	MODIFICATION-TYPE	1800	39
1	001	REPORT-CODE	1100	60
1	001	PROC-PLACEMENT-CODE	2000	51
1	001	CONTRACT-DATE	1300	10
1	001	FILLER	0020	
1	001	OBLIGATION-REQUIRED	1100	43
1	001	INITIAL-OBLIGATION	1100	32
1	001	ESTIMATED-COST	1100	26
1	001	ESTIMATED-FEE	1100	27
1	001	AWARD-INDICATOR	1100	5
1	001	COST-ACCOUNTING	1300	19
1	001	MINORITY-CONTRACT	1400	38
1	001	FILLER	0011	
1	001	INITIAL-CONTR-DATE	2000	76
1	001	INITIAL-CONTR-MONTH	1100	31
1	001	INITIAL-CONTR-DAY	1100	31
1	001	INITIAL-CONTR-YEAR	1100	32
1	001	FILLER	0012	
---IMPLEMENTATION STANDARDS---				
1	DATA NAME=TRANS-10-30-35 IMS SEGMENT NAME=*****			SYMBOL=***** 2000 2000

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Figure A-4. ~ Example of Catalogue Report, Record.

Figure A-4. - Example of Catalogue Report, Record (Continued).

DATA CATALOGUE CATALOGUE REPORT				REPORT DATE- 02/27/75
SECTION 3. SEGMENT ITEMS				REVISION NUMBER- 11
				DATE OF LAST REVISION- 02/15/75
				TYPE OF UPDATE- PERMANENT
CATALOGUE NAME	REV.			LINE DEFINED NUMBER ON PAGE
---IMPLEMENTATION STANDARDS---				
1	DATA NAME=WORK-RECORD		SYMBOL=*****	4000
	IMS SEGMENT NAME=*****			4000
---USAGE LIST---				
1	CODE P P3860	NAME COBOL	LANG A	OPTIONS 4001
---SEGMENT STRUCTURE---				
1	FROM 001	TO CONTRACT-MOD	ITEM CATALOGUE NAME	LINE 7000 RD INDEX DEPEND KEY
1	001	JSC-CONTRACT-NO		5101 68
1	001	JSC-CONTRACT-NO-MOD		33
1	001	MASTER-RECORD-TYPE		34
1	001	PRIMARY-WORK-CODE		36
1	001	PRI-WORK-CODE-PROJ		402
1	001	PRIMARY-WORK-CODE		48
1	001	PRIMARY-WORK-CODE		48
1	001	PRIMARY-WORK-CODE		68
---IMPLEMENTATION STANDARDS---				
1	DATA NAME=FILE-NAME		SYMBOL=*****	5000
	IMS SEGMENT NAME=*****			5000
---SEGMENT STRUCTURE---				
1	FROM 001	TO MODIFICATION-TYPE	ITEM CATALOGUE NAME	LINE 1600 RD INDEX DEPEND KEY
1	001	REPORT-CODE		5102 60
1	001	PROC-PLACEMENT-CODE		5103 88
1	001	PROC-PLACE-CODE-1		52
1	001	PROC-PLACE-CODE-2		53
1	001	CONTRACT-DATE		5104 10
1	001	CONTRACT-COMPL-DATE		5105 70
1	001	CONTR-COMPL-MONTH		15
1	001	FILLER		0004
1	001	LABOR-SJR-PREFER-COD		5106 35
1	001	KIND-OF-ACTION		5107 35
1	001	REASON-NUT-SMALL-BUS		5108 56
1	001	CONTRACT-TYPE		5109 14
1	001	EXTENT-OF-COMPETITIO		5110 28
1	001	SMALL-BUSINESS-SUBCT		5111 61
1	001	PROCJR-SYNOPSISZED		5112 51
1	001	NEW-TECHNOLOGY-REPT		5113 41
1	001	GEOGRAPHIC-DISTRIB		5114 30
1	001	SUPPORT-SVC-CONTRACT		5115 63
1	001	COST-PERFORMANCE		5116 20

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Figure A-4. - Example of Catalogue Report, Record (Concluded).

DATA CATALOGUE			REPORT DATE-	02/27/75
INDEX BY CATALOGUE NAME			REVISION NUMBER-	11
			DATE LAST REVISION-	02/15/75
			TYPE OF UPDATE-	PERMANENT
CATALOGUE NAME	SECTION	PAGE	CATALOGUE NAME	SECTION
AA-EXAMPLE-FIVE	DATA BASE	1	CONTRACT-NUMBER	GROUP
AA-EXAMPLE-FJUR	FILE	1	CONTRACT-TYPE	ELEMENTARY
AA-EXAMPLE-ONE	ELEMENTARY	1	CONTROL-NUMBER	ELEMENTARY
AA-EXAMPLE-THREE	SEGMENT		CONTR-AND-MOD	GROUP
AA-EXAMPLE-TWU	GROUP		CONTR-COMPL-DAY	ELEMENTARY
ACCEPTANCE-AMOUNT	ELEMENTARY	1	CONTR-COMPL-MONTH	ELEMENTARY
ALLOTMENT-BALANCE	ELEMENTARY	1	CONTR-COMPL-YEAR	ELEMENTARY
ALLOTMENT-ISSUES	ELEMENTARY	1	COUNT-COMPL-DATE	ELEMENTARY
ALLOTMENT-RECEIPTS	ELEMENTARY	1	CONT-ND-PFX	ELEMENTARY
ALLOT-AVAILABLE-REC	ELEMENTARY	2	CONV.-PWA-BALANCE	ELEMENTARY
ALLOT-ISSUES-FS	ELEMENTARY	2	CONV.-PWA-ISSUES	ELEMENTARY
ALLOT-ISSUES-MA	ELEMENTARY	2	CONV.-PWA-RECEIPTS	ELEMENTARY
ALLOT-ISSUES-PRIOR-D	ELEMENTARY	2	CORRECTION-INDICATOR	ELEMENTARY
ALLOT-ISSUES-PY	ELEMENTARY	2	COST	ELEMENTARY
ALLOT-SUB-ISSUED-SUS	ELEMENTARY	2	COST-ACCOUNTING	ELEMENTARY
AMENDMENT-NUMBER	ELEMENTARY	3	COST-PERFORMANCE	ELEMENTARY
APPROPRIATION	ELEMENTARY	3	CUT-OFF-DATE	GROUP
ASSIGNMENT-AMOUNT	ELEMENTARY	3	CUT-OFF-DATE	ELEMENTARY
AS-OF-DATE	ELEMENTARY	3	CUT-OFF-DAY	ELEMENTARY
AS-OF-DAY	ELEMENTARY	3	CUT-OFF-MONTH	ELEMENTARY
AS-OF-WVTH	ELEMENTARY	4	CUT-OFF-YEAR	ELEMENTARY
AS-OF-YEAR	ELEMENTARY	4	DATE-OF-LAST-CHANGE	GROUP
AWARD-INDICATOR	ELEMENTARY	5	DATE-OF-LAST-CHANGE	ELEMENTARY
BASE	ELEMENTARY	5	DAY-OF-LAST-CHANGE	ELEMENTARY
CARRIER-ID	ELEMENTARY	6	DISBURSEMENTS	ELEMENTARY
CARRIER-RO	ELEMENTARY	6	DOLLAR-AMOUNT	ELEMENTARY
CARRIER-1A	ELEMENTARY	6	ENGINEERING-HOURS-LD	ELEMENTARY
CHANGE-INDICATOR	ELEMENTARY	6	ESTIMATED-COST	ELEMENTARY
COMMITMENTS	ELEMENTARY	6	ESTIMATED-FEE	ELEMENTARY
CONTRACTOR-CITY	ELEMENTARY	7	EXTENT-OF-COMPETITIO	ELEMENTARY
CONTRACTOR-DIVISION	ELEMENTARY	8	FILE-SOURCE-CODE	ELEMENTARY
CONTRACTOR-MOD	GROUP		FUND-SOURCE	ELEMENTARY
CONTRACTOR-NAME	ELEMENTARY	8	F-PFX	GROUP
CONTRACTOR-STATE	ELEMENTARY	9	F11-IFMS	SEGMENT
CONTRACT-ADM-DELEGAT	ELEMENTARY	9	GEOGRAPHIC-DISTRIB	ELEMENTARY
CONTRACT-COMPL-DATE	GROUP	9	G11-IFMS	SEGMENT
CONTRACT-DATE	ELEMENTARY	10	G13-IFMS	SEGMENT
CONTRACT-ID-CODE	ELEMENTARY	11	G21-IFMS	SEGMENT
CONTRACT-MOD-DATE	GROUP		G22-IFMS	SEGMENT
CONTRACT-MOD-DAY	ELEMENTARY	12	G23-IFMS	SEGMENT
CONTRACT-MOD-MONTH	ELEMENTARY	12	H11-IFMS	SEGMENT
CONTRACT-MOD-YEAR	ELEMENTARY	12	H12-IFMS	SEGMENT
CONTRACT-NO-BASE	ELEMENTARY	13	H13-IFMS	SEGMENT
CONTRACT-VO-1FP	ELEMENTARY	13	INITIAL-CONTR-DATE	GROUP
CONTRACT-NO-2FP	ELEMENTARY	14	INITIAL-CONTR-DAY	ELEMENTARY

Figure A-5. - Example of Index by Catalogue Name.

DATA CATALOGUE		REPORT DATE- 02/27/75	
INDEX BY PROGRAM		REVISION NUMBER- 11	
PROG. NAME=P3860		DATE LAST REVISION- 02/15/75	
CATALOGUE NAME	PAGE	CATALOGUE NAME	PAGE
CONTRACT-TYPE	14	PROGRAM-YEAR	53
CONTRACT-NO-2FP	14	REC-CREATION-DAY	57
CONTRACT-ND-1FP	13	WORKING-STORAGE-RCD	107
CONTR-COMPL-DAY	15	PURGE-RECORD	101
CONTR-COMPL-YEAR	16	PROC-PLACEMENT-CODE	51
CONTR-COMPL-MONTH	15	WORKING-STORAGE-RCD	107
COST-ACCOUNTING	19	TRANSACTION-RECORD	102
OBLIGATIONS	42	WORKING-STORAGE-RCD	107
COST	18	PRI-WORK-CODE-PROJ	50
OBLIGATIONS	42	WORKING-STORAGE-RCD	107
CUT-OFF-MONTH	21	PROC-PLACE-CODE-1	52
CUT-OFF-DAY	21	WORKING-STORAGE-RCD	107
DISBURSEMENTS	23	MASTER-RECORD	97
DATE-OF-LAST-CHANGE	22	PROC-PLACE-CODE-2	53
CUT-OFF-YEAR	22	PHYSICAL-COMPLETE-DT	48
DISBURSEMENTS	23	TRANSACTION-RECORD	102
ENGINEERING-HOURS-LD	25	TRAILER-TITLE	64
ESTIMATED-COST	26	REGULAR-HOURS-LD	58
ESTIMATED-FEE	27	REPORT-CODE	60
FILE-SOURCE-CODE	29	REC-CREATION-YEAR	58
FUND-SOURCE	29	TRAILER-RCD-COUNT	63
INITIAL-CONTR-MONTH	31	PHYSICAL-COMPLETE-DT	48
INITIAL-CONTR-DAY	31	TRANSACTION-RECORD	102
JSC-CONTRACT-NO-MOD	34	WORK-STATUS-CODE	66
JSC-CONTRACT-NO	33	REC-CREATION-MONTH	57
INITIAL-OBLIGATION	32	TRANSACTION-RECORD	102
OBLIGATION-REQUIRED	43	RECORD-COUNT	56
INITIAL-OBLIGATION	32		
INITIAL-CONTR-YEAR	32		
OBJECT-CLASS-1-3	41		
MASTER-RECORD-TYPE	36		
OBLIGATION-REQUIRED	43		
COMMITMENTS	6		
CONTRACTOR-NAME	8		
CONTRACT-DATE	10		
CONTRACT-NO-BASE	13		
AWARD-INDICATOR	5		
METHOD-OF-AUTHORIZAT	37		
MINORITY-CONTRACT	38		
MODIFICATION-TYPE	39		
OVERTIME-HOURS-LD	44		
MASTER-RECORD	97		
PRIMARY-WORK-CODE	48		

Figure A-6. - Example of Index by Program.

DATA CATALOGUE			REPORT DATE- 02/27/75
INDEX BY DATA NAME			REVISION NUMBER- 11
			DATE LAST REVISION- 02/15/75
			TYPE OF UPDATE- PERMANENT
DATA NAME	SECTION	PAGE	DATA NAME
AA-EXAMPLE-1A	ELEMENTARY	1	C1-MOD
A-PREV-MD-ADJ	ELEMENTARY	18	C1-NEW-TECH
B-PREV-MD-ADJ	ELEMENTARY	42	C1-OBLI-REQ
B97-BASE	ELEMENTARY	5	C1-PIC
B97-CONTR-DATE	ELEMENTARY	10	C1-POP-CITY
B97-CONTR-MOD	GROUP	72	C1-POP-STATE
B97-COST-ADCTG	ELEMENTARY	19	C1-PPC
B97-ECDST	ELEMENTARY	26	C1-PREF
B97-EFEE	ELEMENTARY	27	C1-PROP-HDWE
B97-MIN-BUS-CON	ELEMENTARY	38	C1-REC-TYPE
B97-MOD	ELEMENTARY	34	C1-RNSB
B97-JBL-NEEDED	ELEMENTARY	43	C1-RPT-SB-SUB-CONT
B97-PFX	ELEMENTARY	45	C1-SCHED-ONLY
B97-PHY-COMPL-DT	ELEMENTARY	48	C1-SUP-SVC
B97-TYPE-MOD	ELEMENTARY	39	C1-SYNOP
CD-4M	ELEMENTARY	15	C1-TYPE-CONT
CT-DA	ELEMENTARY	21	C1-TYPE-EFFORT
CT-MD	ELEMENTARY	21	C1-XCOST
CT-VR	ELEMENTARY	22	C1-XFEE
C-COMM	ELEMENTARY	6	C2-CIC
C-COST	ELEMENTARY	18	C2-COMP-DATE
C-DISB	ELEMENTARY	23	C2-CONT
C-ENG-HRS	ELEMENTARY	25	C2-CONT-BASE
C-OBLI	ELEMENTARY	42	C2-CONT-DATE
C-OVT-HRS	ELEMENTARY	44	C2-CONT-PFX
C-PREV-MD-ADJ	ELEMENTARY	6	C2-CON-ADM-DEL
C-REG-HRS	ELEMENTARY	58	C2-COST-ACCT
C1-CIC	ELEMENTARY	11	C2-COST-PREF
C1-COMP-DATE	ELEMENTARY	17	C2-EST-FEE
C1-CONT	GROUP	72	C2-EST-FEE
C1-CONT-BASE	ELEMENTARY	13	C2-EXT-COMP
C1-CONT-DATE	ELEMENTARY	10	C2-GEO-DIST
C1-CONT-DIV	ELEMENTARY	8	C2-KIND-ACT
C1-CONT-NAME	ELEMENTARY	8	C2-LS-PREF
C1-CONT-PFX	ELEMENTARY	17	C2-MD-TP
C1-COV-ADM-DEL	ELEMENTARY	9	C2-MIN-BUS
C1-COST-ACCT	ELEMENTARY	19	C2-MOD
C1-EST-COST	ELEMENTARY	26	C2-NEW-TECH
C1-EST-FEE	ELEMENTARY	27	C2-OBLI-NEEDED
C1-EXT-COMP	ELEMENTARY	28	C2-PIC
C1-GEO-DIST	ELEMENTARY	30	C2-PPC
C1-KIND-ACT	ELEMENTARY	35	C2-PROP-HDWE
C1-LSAP	ELEMENTARY	35	C2-REC-TYPE
C1-MD-TP	ELEMENTARY	39	C2-RPT-SB-SUBCONT
C1-MIN-BUS	ELEMENTARY	38	C2-SB-REASON

Figure A-7. - Example of Index by Data Name.

DATA CATALOGUE		REPORT DATE- 02/27/75	
INDEX BY SOURCE DEPARTMENT		REVISION NUMBER- 11	
DEPT. NAME=IFMS INFORMATION		DATE LAST REVISION- 02/15/75	
CATALOGUE NAME	PAGE	CATALOGUE NAME	PAGE
PRIOR-TRANSACTION-ID	50	ALLOTMENT-BALANCE	1
PRIOR-PWA-TRANS-CONT	50	OLD-ACCEPTANCE-AMT	44
CONTROL-NUMBER	15	OLD-RA-RECEIPTS	44
RESERV.-PWA-BALANCE	60	SUB-RA-PWA-RECEIPTS	62
SUB-ALLOT-RECEIPTS	61	RA-ISSUES-PY	55
CORRECTION-INDICATOR	18	AS-OF-DATE	3
CONV.-PWA-RECEIPTS	18	ASSIGNMENT-AMOUNT	3
CONV.-PWA-ISSUES	18	APPROPRIATION	3
CONV.-PWA-BALANCE	18	AMENDMENT-NUMBER	3
RESPONSIBLE-DRGN	61	ALLOT-SUB-ISSUED-SJS	2
RA-ALLOT-AVAIL.-DIFF	54	ALLOT-ISSUES-PY	2
RA-ISSUES-PWC	55	ALLOT-ISSUES-PRIOR-D	2
USER-ID	66	ALLOT-ISSUES-MA	2
TRANSACTION-CODE	64	ALLOT-ISSUES-FS	2
DOLLAR-AMOUNT	24	ALLOT-AVAILABLE-REC	2
RESERV.-PWA-ISSUES	60	SUB-ISSUED-BALANCE	62
REIMB.-ORDER-NUMBER	59	PRIOR-PWA-TRANS-ID	50
SUB-ISSUED-RECEIPTS	62	SUBAUTHORIZATION-ID	61
RESERV.-PWA-RECEIPTS	60	UPDATE-RA-RECEIPTS	66
PRIOR-CONTROL-NO.	49	CHANGE-INDICATOR	6
TYPE-OF-TRANSACTION	65	CARRIER-LA	6
REIMBURSABLE-ORDER	59	CARRIER-RO	6
RA-ISSUES-MA	55	CARRIER-ID	6
METHOD-OF-AUTHORITY	37	SUB-ISSUED-ISSUES	62
RA-SUB-ISSUED-RECEIPT	56	RA-ISSUES-PRIOR-DATE	55
UNASSIGNED-BALANCE	65	PRIOR-AMENDMENT-NO.	49
RA-ISSUES	55		
SUB-AUTH.-IDENTIFIER	61		
UPDATE-AMOUNT	65		
TRANSACTION-DATE	64		
PRIOR-PWA-TRANS-DATE	50		
TYPE-OF-FUNDING	65		
RA-RECEIPTS	55		
RA-AVAILABLE-RECEIPT	54		
TRANS-ID	64		
SUB-RA-PWA-ISSUES	62		
SUB-RA-PWA-BALANCE	62		
RA-BALANCE	55		
NEW-ACCEPTANCE-AMT	41		
NEW-RA-RECEIPTS	41		
ACCEPTANCE-AMOUNT	1		
ALLOTMENT-RECEIPTS	1		
ALLOTMENT-ISSUES	1		

Figure A-8. - Example of Index by Source Department.

their locations are provided by the Index by Program (fig. A-6). At least two problems exist for this index. First, the index names are not sorted alphabetically. Finally, the entries are provided implicitly in data recorded for elementary items and records; the listing would probably be more accurate if the records were specified explicitly for the particular programs.

The Index by Data Name (fig. A-7) lists all data names in the catalog alphabetically. The type of entry and Catalogue report page number for that data name are given.

Elementary items used by a specific department as defined implicitly in the usage data, (see section A.1) are listed with page locations in the Index by Departmental Use (fig. A-8).

A.5 Cross Reference Report

One page of the Cross Reference report for elementary items is presented in figure A-9 as an example. Similar reports are produced for group items, records, files, data bases, and programs with entries listed alphabetically within those categories.

The element ESTIMATED-FEE can be used to illustrate the report, which shows that the element is defined on page 26 of the Catalogue report. All group items, records, files, and programs which are recorded as using this element are listed, along with their page locations. Note that the data is repetitious. For example, for the element ESTIMATED-FEE, Program P3860 is listed four times. Whether this repetition is a program bug or intentional, it is useless and

Figure A-9. -- Example of Cross-Reference Report, Elementary Items.

unnecessary. The FUND-SOURCE entry shows several references to IFMS transaction and report entries.

A.6 Other Reports

A Structure report and a Program Revision report are also produced by the Data Catalogue system. The Structure report presents the same information as the Catalogue report, except that it is sequenced top-down so that all data related to a specified program or file can be considered as a single collection of data. Source portions of the catalogue entries may be omitted if the user so designates.

The Program Revision report is intended to specify those programs which would require change (and the type of change required), if changes were in the data it uses. The excessively repetitious items in the reports produced to date are illustrated in figure A-10.

DATA CATALOGUE					REPORT DATE- 03/01/75
PROGRAM REVISION REPORT					REVISION NUMBER- 12
					DATE LAST REVISION- 03/01/75
					TYPE OF UPDATE- PERMANENT
TRANSACTION IDENTIFICATION	SECTION	CATALOGUE NAME	LINE	CATALOGUE NAME	PROGRAMS TO BE REVISED
				REASON	
1	AS-OF-MONTH	1001	MASTER-RECORD	MAX LENGTH FORMAT DYN OR STA PICTURE JUST/SYNC	P3860 P3870
1	AS-OF-MONTH	1002	MASTER-RECORD	USAGE CODE USAGE NAME OPTION CYCLE FREQUENCY	P3860 P3870
1	AS-OF-MONTH	1001	MASTER-RECORD	MAX LENGTH FORMAT DYN OR STA PICTURE JUST/SYNC	P3860 P3870
1	AS-OF-MONTH	1002	MASTER-RECORD	USAGE CODE USAGE NAME OPTION CYCLE FREQUENCY	P3860 P3870
1	AS-OF-MONTH	1001	MASTER-RECORD	MAX LENGTH FORMAT DYN OR STA PICTURE JUST/SYNC	P3860 P3870
1	AS-OF-MONTH	1002	MASTER-RECORD	USAGE CODE USAGE NAME OPTION CYCLE FREQUENCY	P3860 P3870
1	AS-OF-MONTH	1001	MASTER-RECORD	MAX LENGTH FORMAT DYN OR STA PICTURE JUST/SYNC	P3860 P3870
1	AS-OF-MONTH	1002	MASTER-RECORD	USAGE CODE USAGE NAME	P3860 P3870

Figure A-10. - Example of Program Revision Report.